

House Resolution No. 3326

Whereas, it is always a pleasure for the members of the Missouri House of Representatives to recognize an outstanding Show-Me State couple who have ceaselessly embraced the promises made to one another so many years ago; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Williams, residents of Piedmont, Missouri, will commemorate the glorious occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary by renewing their sacred nuptial vows on May 15, 2004, at Patterson Baptist Church; and

Whereas, Virgil "Bud" Williams took the hand of his beloved Irene Abbott during a resplendent wedding ceremony in St. Louis on May 27, 1954, following which the couple began their new lives together as husband and wife; and

Whereas, in the half century since that heavenly day, Bud and Irene Williams have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Laurie and Gary Brooks and Lynda Orlando of St. Louis, Sherry and John Hills of Piedmont, Becky Glenn of Newport, Oregon, and George and Rosalie Williams of Mayville, Michigan; thirteen grandchildren; and seventeen great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, known as proud and loving parents, Bud and Irene Williams provided their children with boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in countless ways and enabled them to become responsible citizens with families of their own; and

Whereas, now retired, Bud and Irene Williams strived to provide a comfortable home and secure future for their loved ones through their successful endeavors in various management positions and as the owners and operators of the Bluff View Cafe and Marina and Kemper's Hideaway; and

Whereas, during their five decades together, Bud and Irene Williams have found true love: love that lasts, love that heals, love that transforms, and love that brings inestimable joy:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Bud and Irene Williams upon the joyous occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary and further wish them continued prosperity as they begin their fifty-first year of wedded bliss; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Williams.

Offered by _____
Representative Rod Jetton
Speaker Pro Tem
District No. 156

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3326, adopted June 3, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker